thereto. A proposal to commission a Detailed Project Report for 2 × 1000 MWe light water reactor stations to be located at Kudankulam in Tamil Nadu with the technical co-operation and financial assistance of the Russian Federation is presently under negotiation.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) In setting up Nuclear Power Plants, an area of 300 kms. radius around the possible site is investigated using all available seismological, geological and geophysical information, satellite imageries and other remote sensing data, including history of earthquakes. Geological faults in the site region are specifically investigated. The maximum earthquakes potential is estimated which is taken for seismic design. The aspect of vulnerability of the site from the security point is also considered while selecting the site.

Target for Nuclear Power Generation

158. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for nuclear power generation in the 8th Five Year Plan and the achievement made in that regard;

(b) whether nuclear power generation in the country has slowed down;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the target fixed in this regard for the 9th Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALA-SUBRAMONIYAN): (a) The targetted power generation through atomic energy during the Eighth Plan period i.e. 1992-97 was 37070 million units (MUs). The actual generation from the Nuclear Power Plants during the period was 34844 MUs.

(b) and (c) There has been a shortfall of around 2226 MUs during the Eighth Plan Period mainly due to the following reasons:—

(i) Initial problem during the stabilisation period of Narora Atomic Power Station units and their long shut down after the turbine generator fire incident in Unit-1.

(ii) Long shut down of the Tarapur Atomic Power Station units during 1995-96 and 1996-97 for refuelling and core-shroud inspection.

(iii) Extended shut down of Madras Atomic Power Station units during 1995-96 and 1996-97 for in-service inspection of coolant channels.

(d) The target set for generation of electricity from Nuclear Power Plants during the Ninth Five Year Plan period is 50,000 MUs with the total generating capacity expected to reach 2720 MWe by 1998-99.

Indian Diplomats etc. Killed/Injured in Foreign Country

159. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Indian diplomats, employees, workers, their families and other persons of Indian origin killed in various incidents in foreign countries during the last three years;

(b) the details of the foreign countries in which they were killed and seriously injured; and

(c) the details of compenstion given by Government or by the foreign countries to the next of the kin of the victims category-wise/name-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI KAMLA SINAH): (a) to (c) The relevant information is being collected from all the Mission/Posts and will be placed on the Table of the House.